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### LITERATURE.

Wide Awake.

The notable features of the August Wide Awake are the first of a series of sketches of Old Concord and a paper on Summer Sports, both illustrated. The village where the first battle of the Revolution was fought has been written and pictured and guide-booked until the subject is hackneyed; but nothing is fresher than unexpected news of a sleepy old relic. Margaret Sidney, the writer, lives in "Wayside," the home of Nathaniel Hawthorne, next door to the Alcotts', a mile from Concord Bridge, towards Lexington. Summer Sports is by Eldridge S. Brooks (late of the St. Nicholas staff), who shines in vacation as well as in his more accustomed work. He gets into half-a-dozen pages practical clues to croquet, bowls, hare and hounds, canoeing, tennis, badminton, quoits, ball-in-the-hole, or nine holes, and stops with baseball, with bare menton of boating, fishing, swimming, camping, tramping, bicycling, photography. Charles Egbert Oraddock goes on a coon-hunt and trees a panther in the "Story of Keedon Bluffs." There are long stories by Catherwood, Davis, Champney, Hopkins; short ones by Mitchell, Hart; poems, sketches, skits, biographies, peeps at the Zoo.

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The Overland Monthly

The Overland Monthly for August pre-sents a table of contents sufficiently varied to please all tastes. For those varied to please all tastes. For those that like fiction there are the short story "A Disagreeable Young Woman," a camping story, wherein the young woman is not so disagreeable but that she wins the heart of reader as well as of the hero, the serial "Chaita and Chinita," and the opening chapters of a new short serial, "The Acequia Madre of Santiago." None the less interesting for being true are the out-door sketches "Our Camp in the Canyon" and "An Ascent of Mt. Shasta." In the line of Indian articles, are Major General Howard's continuation of the history of the Bannock War in which he tells of the Bannock War in which he tells of the Bannock War in which he tells of the Chronicles of Camp Wright. "A Nest of Wild Cats" tells with marked incisiveness the story of wild cat banking in Nebraska, where the bitter school of experience emonstrated the necessity of a national banking system and the commercial unity of the nation. "Slavery in Florence" is an interesting study of the medieval status of that great problem over which tears of blood were shed centuries later in our own country. Literary subjects receive due attention in two articles in the body of the magazine and the usual department of Book Reviews.

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GUITEAU'S PROPHECY.

The Victims of the Great Assassin's Withering Curse.

Lawyer Charles Reed, who defended Garfield's assassin, attempted to commit suicide on Saturday by jumping from the North River ferry-boat. Washington correspondent of the New York World thus discourses concerning Guiteau and those who participated in his trial:

After the assassin Guiteau had been After the assassin Guiteau had been convicted and sentenced by the court to be hanged for killing President Garfield he stood up in his place and pronounced a withering curse on everyone connected with the trial. Little was thought of it at the time. It was regarded as a fitting climax of his ravings throughout that remarkable case. Guiteau declared that misfortune would attend everyone connected with his trial. Since then Guiteau's curse has impressed itself upon the minds of superstitutious people by the singular manner in which it has apparently bees fulfilled.

The jury was composed of twelve strong and healthy men. The foreman was in comfortable circumstances, and was estimated to be worth \$50,000. Within a year after the trial he lost his money and is now reduced to the level of a day labore.

Four members of the jury are dead, and nearly every one has been visited with some kind of misfortune.

District Attorney George B. Corkhill was removed from office, his wife died, and his own death followed before the end of another year.

Mr. Scoville, Guiteau's brother in-law, who with Charles H. Reed defended the prisoner, was divorced from his wife and lost all his property.

President Arthur, who refused to grant a pardon or a new trial to Guiteau, was defeated for renomination and slowly failed in health and died last winter. convicted and sentenced by the court to

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Mr. Blaine, who was a witness against Guiteau, was nominated for President, but defeated. John A. Logan, another witness, is now dead, stricken down in apparent health.

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Dr. D. W. Bliss, Garfield's physician, has been in very poor health for two years, and it is thought that he will never be a well man again.

David Davis, who appeared as a witness, has also joined the great majority.

Judge John K. Porter, of Ne "ork, one of the government counse the case, has practically retired from the practice of his profession.

The guards who kept watch over Guitean in the jail have nearly all lost their positions.

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Judge Cox, who presided over the trial, lost his wife.

The downward career of Charles H. Reed, of Guiteau's counsel, which culminated in New York last Saturday morning by his attempting to take his own life, adds another name to the list of victims of Guiteau's anathema. The only conspiruous exception is found in Walter Davidge, of the government counsel in the case, Mr. Davidge has apparently been more prospectous

has apparently been more prosperous since the trial than before. He stands at the head of the Washington bar.

A Captain's Fertunate Discovery

Capt. Coleman, schr. Weymouth, plying between Atlantic City and N. Y., has been troubled with a cough so that he was unable to sleep, and was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption. It not only gave him instant relief, but allayed the extreme soreness in his breast. His children were similarly affected and a single does were similarly affected and

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